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Arrests made as marchers disrupt CIA chief's speech

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Admiral Stansfield Turner's speech and comments at UK last night were planned to be about new directions for the CIA. But the defiant presence of Iranian demonstrators, in the audience and outside the Student Center, focused the program on CIA activities in that country.

Eleven protestors and one juvenile were arrested last night, said Assistant Dean of Students T. Lynn Williamson. He said none of those arrested could immediately be identified as UK students. However, Williamson said two claimed they were from the University of Tennessee, and that others may also be from UT or the University of Louisville.

"I have reason to believe some (of those arrested) were using fictitious names when they were booked," said Williamson.

They were arrested by UK police and charged with "disrupting a public assembly," said a spokeswoman at the Lexington Detention Center. Their arraignment will be today at 1 p.m. in U.S. District Court.

Turner, director of U.S. Central Intelligence and director of the CIA, was speaking for the Patterson School of Diplomacy's lecture series named for former Kentucky Senator John Sherman Cooper.

About 50 protestors, many of them Iranians, picketed Turner's speech at the Student Center Ballroom. The group paraded in a circle before the main entrance to the Student Center, carrying signs and chanting slogans denouncing the CIA and Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, Iran's

ruler. More protestors were stationed on sidewalks passing out leaflets decrying alleged CIA involvement in Iranian politics.

Inside, more protestors challenged Turner on the CIA's role in Iran. Spread throughout the audience of about 400 people, some demonstrators unfurled banners and shouted protests. With each outburst, police chased them from the room and then made arrests.

One protester, holding up a sign, was asked by police to put the sign down. "Show me where in the Constitution it says I can't (hold up a sign)" He was escorted out of the Ballroom by security personnel.

"They were disrupting a program, (which is) a violation of the Student Code," said Dean of Students Joe Burch at the program. Burch and several other top UK officials were present, as well as a few dozen UK police. A detachment of about 20 helmeted officers were stationed out of sight in front of Buell Armory in case of violence.

"Support your CIA, support American fascism" and "Down with the Shah, down with the CIA" posters lined the rear wall of the Ballroom. Arriving 45 minutes after the publicized starting time, Turner was greet with boos and hisses from the back of the SC Ballroom and a standing ovation in the front.

Secret Service personnel and UK police were stationed at each of the Ballroom doors. Turner's arrival at the podium brought a standing ovation from the front of the room in response to the protesters' catcalls, boos and hisses. Frequent yells from the back of the room, complemented by applause from the front, interupted his 20-minute presentation.

In his speech titled "New Directions in the U.S. Intelligence System," Turner outlined trends that he said dominate the practices of the CIA. He said the reorganization of intelligence gathering operations in the U.S. has stressed an increased importance of technical systems and analysis rather than the human "undercover agent."

The change in world alliances has changed the type of information gathered, he said, and more poltical and economic data is collected. Hovever, Turner said the importance of collecting military information must not be underestimated.

"Understanding Soviet Union military operations is still — and must be — our number one duty," Turner said.

Turner said today's American society demands a change in the maximum secrecy — minimum disclosure practices of the past, Turner said. The CIA and other intelligence gathering bodies are publishing more and on more topics than in the past.

Even though less data is classified, "we will protect the necessary secrets better," Turner said. He said